

Updates for the week of August 2nd, 2004

Tools

- The center for Health and Health care in Schools has a very informative publication on achieving Cultural Competency in a School Health setting. You may read this publication at: <http://www.healthinschools.org/cultsurvey.asp>

Training

- **REMINDER!** The dates of the Stata classroom training have been changed to Monday and Tuesday August 30th and 31st at The Learning Center at 6300 Linderson Way, Tumwater, Washington 98501. Phone: 360.586.7900. Please visit the [August events calendar](#) for contact information and details.

Conferences

- Next year's American College Health Association's Annual Meeting in San Diego will be titled "Charting a Course for College Health." This conference will be conducted in collaboration with the Pacific Coast College Health Association. The meeting will take place May 31-June 4, at the Town & Country Resort in San Diego. Program submission forms are now available on our website: http://www.acha.org/prof_dev/2005annlmtg_cfp.cfm. *Proposals are due September 13, 2004.*
- Tuesday, August 10th from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. PST Dr. Karen Warman and Ms. Tracy Cooper will discuss several facets of the Inner City Asthma Intervention Program (ICAI) on a conference call. To participate, call 888-381-9691 and use pass code "Asthma." Preview the complete [PowerPoint Presentation](#) of the teleconference. You may also visit the [August events calendar](#) for a link to more information about the PowerPoint presentation.

Information/Update

- **REMINDER!** The regular date and time for the Community Conference Calls has changed. Our new standing time is every other Wednesday at 11:00am. Our next call will be Wednesday, August 11th at 11:00am.
- "Obesity fuels their fervor" is a controversial article by Johanna Neuman recently published in the Los Angeles Times (07/26/04). The article describes activities of John Banzhaf III, a law professor at George Washington University, who is heading a movement to sue the food industry for causing the nation's obesity epidemic. Read the complete article at: http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/steps/publications/obesity_article_2_.pdf

- View the Cessation for Tobacco Control newsletter at:
<http://www.ctcinfo.org/enews/pdf/Newsletter212.pdf>
- The largest EPA grant ever given for the study of the effects of Air Pollution on Health has been awarded to the University of Washington. View details here:
http://cfpub2.epa.gov/ncer_abstracts/index.cfm/fuseaction/display.abstractDetail/abstract/7131/report/0
- There is a new report of the states' cancer legislative activity. The five measures include three tobacco control indicators, Medicaid coverage of cessation, funding for comprehensive tobacco control, and excise taxes. These can be reviewed at:
<http://www.cancer.org/downloads/GI/Mid-Year%20Report%20Single%20Page.pdf>